

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT  
EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN  
(NORTHERN)/(SOUTHERN) DIVISION

In re:

Chapter 7

Laura Lynne Lucas,

Case No. 19-30218-dof

Debtor(s).  
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Hon. Joel Applebaum, Flint

Tracy B. Sutton,

Adversary Proceeding No. 19-03039-dof

Plaintiff(s),

v.

Laura Lynne Lucas,

Defendant(s).  
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**REPORT OF PARTIES' RULE 26(f) CONFERENCE**

Pursuant to Fed. R. Bankr. P. 7026 and Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(f), a conference was held on June 26, 2019, at U.S. Bankruptcy Court Courtroom, 226 West Second Street, Flint, Michigan 48502 and was participated in by:

Ramsey H. Mashni, counsel for plaintiff

Laura Lynne Lucas for defendant did not participate and failed to respond to this proposed report that was mailed to Ms. Lucas on or about June 11, 2019.

This is submitted as the required report of that conference.

(1) Initial Disclosures required by Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(1).

☒ The parties will provide such by July 10, 2019; or

☐ The parties agree to provide the following at the times indicated:

(2) Discovery Plan. The parties jointly propose to the Court the following discovery plan in conformance with Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(f)(3): (Use separate paragraphs or subparagraphs as necessary if parties disagree.)

- (a) Discovery will be needed on the following subjects: Whether the debt by Laura Lynn Lucas to Creditor Tracy B. Sutton is a non-dischargeable pursuant to 11U.S.C. §523(a)(15).
- (b) All discovery commenced in time to be completed by November 1, 2019.
- (c) Maximum of 25 interrogatories by each party to any other party. [Responses due 30 days after service.]
- (d) Maximum of 25 requests for admission by each party to any other party. [Responses due 30 days after service.]
- (e) Maximum of 3 depositions by plaintiff(s) and 3 by defendant(s).
- (f) Each deposition [other than of *not applicable*] limited to maximum of 3 hours unless extended by agreement of parties.
- (g) Reports from retained experts under Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(2) due:  
from plaintiff(s) by November 15, 2019  
from defendant(s) by December 6, 2019.
- (h) Supplementation under Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(e) due within 14 days of learning that a disclosure or response is incomplete or incorrect.
- (i) Discovery of electronically stored information
  - (i) This adversary proceeding does not involve the discovery of electronically stored information
  - (ii) Pursuant to E.D. Mich. LBR 7026-4, the Model Order Relating to the Discovery of Electronically Stored Information approved by the District Court will apply.

(3) Other Agreed Upon Items. [*Use separate paragraphs or subparagraphs as necessary if parties disagree.*]

- (a) Plaintiff(s) is granted leave through, and the deadline is, August 30, 2019 to join additional parties and to amend the pleadings.
- (b) Defendant(s) is granted leave through, and the deadline is, August 30, 2019 to join additional parties and to amend the pleadings.
- (c) All potentially dispositive motions must be filed by January 31, 2020.
- (d) The proceeding will be ready for trial by February 28, 2020. The trial is expected to take approximately ONE trial day.

(e) Jury Trial Matters.

(i) ☒ a jury trial was not timely demanded and is waived; or

☐ a jury trial was timely demanded, but is waived; or

☐ a jury trial was timely demanded but not waived.

(ii) ☐ the parties consent to the Bankruptcy Court conducting the jury trial; or

☒ the parties do not at this time consent to the Bankruptcy Court conducting the jury trial.

(f) The parties agree that:

☒ This is a core proceeding; or

☐ This is a non-core proceeding otherwise related to the bankruptcy case.

(g) ☒ The parties consent to the Bankruptcy Court entering a final order or judgment in this proceeding; or

☐ The parties do not consent to the Bankruptcy Court entering a final order or judgment in this proceeding.

(4) Other matters.

(5) Matters not agreed upon or insufficiently addressed by the foregoing.

Date: June 21, 2019

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